

CITY OF BELLEVUE
CITY COUNCIL

Summary Minutes of Regular Session

November 4, 2002
8:00 p.m.

Council Chambers
Bellevue, Washington

PRESENT: Mayor Marshall, Deputy Mayor Degginger, and Councilmembers Creighton, Davidson, and Noble

ABSENT: Councilmembers Lee and Mosher

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 8:05 p.m. by Mayor Marshall, who presided.

2. Roll Call, Flag Salute

Upon roll call by the City Clerk, all Councilmembers except Mr. Lee and Mr. Mosher were present. Mr. Noble led the flag salute.

3. Communications: Written and Oral

Renay Bennett, representing the Bellevue Charter Now Committee, presented a petition to place the question of whether Bellevue should become a Charter City on the ballot. The Committee advocates the election of City Councilmembers by neighborhood districts and a citywide election for mayor. Ms. Bennett said the petition is being submitted two months ahead of state requirements to allow Council the flexibility of coordinating the ballot measure with a general election in Spring 2003. This will ensure sufficient time to submit the charter for the November 2003 ballot without the additional expense of holding a special election.

4. Reports of Community Councils, Boards and Commissions: None.

5. Report of the City Manager

City Manager Steve Sarkozy provided an update on the Access Downtown project. Although it was necessary to close NE 8th Street this past weekend for construction activities, delays and congestion were minimal due to the project team's advance planning. Traffic signal timing and detour planning allowed the anticipated 30-hour need for police officers on the site to provide traffic control to be reduced to only the first 40 minutes of the entire closure. Mr. Sarkozy commended Traffic Signal Engineer Fred Liang, WSDOT construction engineers, and

contractors for their coordinated efforts. He thanked Ron Kessack and Transportation Planning staff for their role in maintaining traffic flows throughout the project. Mayor Marshall suggested videotaping project activities for use as a model and noted the community's interest in the construction.

Mr. Sarkozy commented on the current drought, noting we have received only four inches of rain in September and October compared to the typical rainfall of 15 inches during those two months. The City's water supplier has issued a Water Supply Advisory and voluntary conservation measures may become necessary if the situation does not improve.

Mr. Sarkozy noted that discussion of the Lewis Creek Master Plan scheduled and noticed for this meeting has been deferred to the November 18 Regular Session.

6. Council Business

Dr. Davidson attended the Environmental Services Commission meeting in which utilities budget items were discussed.

Mayor Marshall has been working on fund-raising and planning for Bellevue 50 Fest.

Deputy Mayor Degginger announced a meeting of the Bellevue 50 Fest Neighborhood Committee on Thursday, November 7, at 4:30 p.m. in City Hall.

Mr. Noble visited the Eastside Heritage Center museum at Clise Mansion in Marymoor Park and noted the museum is being evicted by King County as a budget-cutting measure. Although the museum's contract specifies a one-year notice for eviction, King County has asked them to vacate the premises by the end of the year. The museum is looking for temporary storage facilities for its collection.

7. Approval of the Agenda

➡ Mr. Noble moved to approve the agenda, and Mr. Degginger seconded the motion.

➡ The motion to approve the agenda carried by a vote of 5-0.

8. Consent Calendar

Mr. Sarkozy requested pulling item 8(k) until staff provides a presentation on the issue next week. Dr. Davidson requested pulling item 8(c) for Council discussion.

➡ Mr. Degginger moved to approve the Consent Calendar with the exception of items 8(c) and (k), and Mr. Noble seconded the motion.

➡ The motion to approve the Consent Calendar, as amended, carried by a vote of 5-0, and the following items were approved:

- (a) Minutes of October 21, 2002 Study Session
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- (b) Motion to approve payment of claims for the period ending October 25, 2002, and payroll for the period October 1 through October 15, 2002.
- (d) Resolution No. 6773 authorizing the execution of a Memorandum of Understanding with the Police Officers Guild to amend Article 31 of the City's 2001-2002 labor contract. *(The Guild will pay for the cost of this change.)*
- (e) Motion to award Bid No. 0234 for the installation of a six-foot wide sidewalk on the south side of Main Street from 158th Place to 162nd Avenue in the *East Lake Hills neighborhood* in the amount of \$88,558 to Precision Earthworks as low bidder. (CIP Plan No. NEP-1)
- (f) Motion to reject all bids for Bid No. 0237 for the installation of two pedestrian signals along 148th Avenue NE and to rebid at a later date. (CIP Plan No. PW-I-84)
- (g) Motion to award Bid No. 0242 for the construction of speed humps, a median island, and curb extensions to reduce vehicle speeds on *Somerset Drive SE between Somerset Boulevard and SE 49th Street* in the amount of \$138,004 to Dennis R. Craig Construction, Inc., as low bidder. (CIP Plan No. PW-M-7)
- (h) Motion to award Bid No. 0245 for the repair and replacement of various rockeries citywide in the amount of \$137,665 to Kemper Construction as low bidder. (CIP Plan No. PW-M-12)
- (i) Motion to award Bid No. 0254 for the construction of safety improvements to the Vasa Park crosswalk in the *West Lake Sammamish neighborhood* in the amount of \$107,345 to Sanders General Construction as low bidder. (CIP Plan No. PW-R-46)
- (j) Ordinance No. 5413 authorizing the execution of a Local Agency Agreement with the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) to accept funds for the resurfacing of asphalt pavement, construction of traffic control devices, and channelization of the Eastgate/I-90 interchange vicinity; to amend the 2001-2007 CIP Plan to create a new project, No. PW-M-13, Eastgate Overlays; and to increase the appropriation to the General CIP Fund by \$403,000.

Deferred to next week:

- (k) Resolution No. 6774 authorizing the execution of a professional services agreement for design, permitting, and construction support required for the replacement of Pump Station No. 12 in the *West Lake Sammamish neighborhood* with CHS Engineers in the amount of \$111,000. (CIP Plan No. S-16)

Item for Council Discussion:

- (c) Resolution No. 6772 authorizing the execution of a professional services agreement for the coordination of events and projects relating to the City's 50th anniversary celebration with Andy Mirkovich Productions for an amount not to exceed \$60,000. *(Discussed with Council at October 7 Study Session.)*

Ron Langley, Public Information Officer, explained that Resolution No. 6772 requests funding to provide the professional organization and coordination of events for the City's 50th anniversary celebration. The proposed contractor has a broad range of responsibilities including staffing the volunteer committee, managing public input, web site management, promotional activities, budgeting, marketing oversight, managing events, and advising the citizen committee about events organization.

Dr. Davidson requested reassurance that the contractor will be able to complete this aggressive program of work within the contract amount.

Deputy Mayor Degginger said it is important to hire a professional contractor at this time to maintain the momentum of planning and fund-raising efforts.

In response to Mr. Creighton, Mayor Marshall said the list of potential events is being used in fund-raising efforts. Some events might fall off the list if adequate funding is not received. However, the intent is to sponsor the Fabulous Fun Run in conjunction with Seafair. Mr. Langley said the contractor is aware that his company could be expected to coordinate the fun run alone if a joint event with Seafair is not approved and funded.

Mr. Creighton, a Seafair Board Member, clarified that the board has not yet approved this event. Seafair is currently in discussions about providing a major Eastside event but a sponsor has not been identified. If Seafair approves sponsorship of an event, the City is asking them to add the fun run to that event. The Seafair Board is open to this idea but noted that funding must be provided by the City and/or a sponsor.

Mr. Degginger said the Bellevue 50 Fest committee will review and prioritize events and activities later this month. Mayor Marshall suggested splitting the contract into separate 2002 and 2003 contracts and lists of deliverables.

- ➡ Dr. Davidson moved to approve Resolution No. 6772, amended to authorize the execution of a professional services agreement for the coordination of events and projects relating to the City's 50th anniversary celebration with Andy Mirkovich Productions for an amount not to exceed \$15,000 in 2002. Mr. Creighton seconded the motion.
- ➡ The motion to approve Resolution No. 6772, amended to authorize the execution of a professional services agreement for the coordination of events and projects relating to the City's 50th anniversary celebration with Andy Mirkovich Productions for an amount not to exceed \$15,000 in 2002, carried by a vote of 5-0.

9. Public Hearings: None.
10. Land Use: None.
11. Other Ordinances, Resolutions and Motions: None.
12. Unfinished Business: None.
13. Continued Oral Communications: None.
14. New business: None.
15. Executive Session: None.
16. Adjournment

At 8:30 p.m., Mayor Marshall declared recess to return to the Study Session.

Myrna L. Basich
City Clerk

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